

Public Scoping Comment Form



We need your input. Please take a few minutes to provide your comments or questions for the USDA RUS Federal review process and return your completed comment form today or mail by September 21, 2009. Thank you.

Which meeting did you attend? _____

Please check the following issues that are important to you for transmission line siting.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Project Purpose and Need | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic and Cultural Sites |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Visual / Aesthetic Resources | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Radio or Television Interference |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proximity to Residences | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Use (Agriculture, Residential, Recreation) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health and Safety |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Resources (Floodplains, River Crossings) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

If you own property in one of the proposed corridors, please indicate all the existing uses of your property below:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation Easement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Please provide your comments on the proposed project in the space provided below:

- I-026-005** This project will not benefit Costilla County - Many people in the area of the corridors (proposed) except in the towns are off-the-grid (solar mostly) and I like it that way, they do not want the monthly bills associated with being on the grid.
- I-026-002** People are concerned about land values and visual aesthetics. Our area still has pristine views.
- I-026-003** EMF health related issues are a problem.
- I-026-001** Assuming the line will go through, what can we do to mitigate the impact to our communities? What can you do to help the communities? For example, can you provide with the schools to offer training in your field - live men etc to help other kids find good jobs?
- I-026-004** People are also concerned about the possibility of eminent domain if they do not want to give an easement.

I-026-001: Socioeconomic Resources (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Potential impacts to social and economic resources from the proposed project and mitigation measures will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm>.

I-026-002: Environmental Consequences (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Potential environmental consequences and mitigation measures from the proposed project will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

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I-026-003: Electrical Characteristics (In Review)

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I-026-004: Land Rights (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. The process of acquisition of land rights for the proposed project and mitigation measures will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement. The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in

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THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO PARTICIPATE.

Please submit comments by the following means:

- Leave this form at the public scoping meeting.
- Mail the form or a letter to the address above.
- Submit comments electronically at www.socotransmission.com

Please submit your comments by September 21, 2009.

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Please tell us how to reach you.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Representing (Optional): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Daytime Phone (Optional): _____

If you would like to receive electronic newsletters on the project, please provide an email address: _____

Please fold this form letter style if you choose to mail it without an envelope. Make sure that your contact information is facing inward when mailing.

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I-026-005: Purpose and Need (In Review)

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